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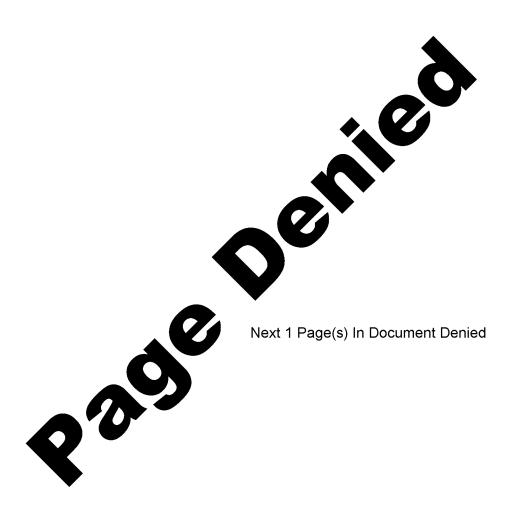
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Dear Mr. Casey,

As I finish up my two years as Director of Intelligence, I would like to take this opportunity to tell you how gratifying my membership in the intelligence community has been. I felt particularly privileged to have served on your National Foreign Intelligence Board and Council and will carry away many fond memories. Your support for the operational forces has been most appreciated.

Due both to the complexity of the problems facing the community today and the most impressive skills and dedication of the members of the community in tackling these problems, it has been an exciting and stimulating time. Moreover, these most satisfying professional associations have been complemented nicely by the social attachments which Barbara and I will long remember.

My successor, Brigadier General Frank Breth, has recently detached from his previous billet as the Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations (G-3), I Marine Amphibious Force at Camp Pendleton. Frank will arrive in Washington in mid-June, allowing us an adequate turnover and will formally take the reins as Director of Intelligence on 24 June. I've already advised Frank of the outstanding personnel he will be working with and look forward to making introductions.

Once again, I thank you and wish you well.

Sincerely,

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Brigadier General, U.S. Marine Corps Director of Intelligence

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